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TAGS: OEXC, AS (PROFESSOR G.W. TROMPF)

SUBJECT: EXCHANGE SENIOR SCHOLAR GRANT

REF: YOUR TELEGRAM DATED 10/10/74

TEXT OF OUR MEMORANDUM NO. 231 OF OCT. 9 FOLLOWS:-

"ATTACHED IS A CURRICULUM VITA FOR DR. G.W. TROMPF TOGETHER WITH A COPY OF A LETTER DATED 23 MAY 1974 FROM DR. TROMPF ASKING FOR THE FOUNDATION'S SUPPORT FOR HIM TO ENTER INTO AN EXCHANGE ARRANGEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA CRUZ.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSIDERED DR. TROMPF'S APPLICATION FOR SUPPORT AT ITS MEETING ON 11 JULY, 1974 AND AGREED TO RECOMMEND HIM FOR AN AWARD.

BY THE TIME OF THE BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION HOWEVER, DR. TROMPF'S DEPARTURE WAS IMMINENT. ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE THEREFORE, AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, FOR DR. TROMPF'S OUTWARD FARE TO BE MET FROM FUNDS SUPPLIED BY THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT. UNFORTUNATELY, FOLLOW-UP ACTION TO OBTAIN BFS APPROVAL WAS OVERLOOKED AT THE TIME AND THUS DR. TROMPF HAS NOT YET BEEN BROUGHT UNDER THE USUAL EXCHANGE VISITOR PROVISIONS.

IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF BFS APPROVAL COULD NOT BE SOUGHT

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AS HE HAS BEEN AT US SANTA CRUZ SINCE THE END OF JULY. ON APPROVAL, DR. TROMPF'S GRANT WOULD BE MADE RETROACTIVE.

MY SINCERE REGRETS FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE CAUSED."

TROMPF IS LECTURER IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES, UNIVERSITY OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA. IS TO WORK AT UC SANTA CRUZ UNTIL MAY 75 IN EXCHANGE WITH NOEL Q. KING WHO WILL WORK AT UPNG FOR SAME PERIOD. AWARD TO TROMPF IS TRAVEL ONLY. NO AWARD TO KING. BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE IS AS FOLLOWS:-

BORN MELBOURNE, AUST. 27 NOV 1940, MARRIED, TWO DAUGHTERS (WHO ARE ACCOMPANYING). B.A. (MELB.) 1961 DIPLOMA OF EDUCATION (MELB) 1964, M.A.(MONASH) 1967 A.A. (OXFORD) 1973 PH.D. (ANU) 1971. VARIOUS ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS OXFORD, AND AUSTRALIA. NUMEROUS PUBLICATIONS ON RELIGIOUS/ PHILOSOPHICAL SUBJECTS.

AT SANTA CRUZ TROMPF WILL TEACH HISTORICAL AND RELIGIOUS SUBJECTS AND FURTHER HIS RESEARCH INTO THE HISTORY OF THE JUDEO-CHRISTIAN TRADITION AND INTO THE TRADITIONAL BELIEF SYSTEMS OF MELANESIA.

IN VIEW OF MEDICAL CLAIM PENDING COULD BFS APPROVAL BE OBTAINED SOONEST.

REPEAT REGRETS OVER INCONVENIENCE CAUSED BY THIS LATE APPROACH.
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